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In completion of the **AO1** task the following practical advice might be helpful for students. This is offered largely in light of the time now available to complete the task – **15 minutes.**

In completing the answer students could.

- Avoid giving definitions at the start, respond directly to the task in the opening sentence (maybe even using the language of the question as the launching pad) don't forget the Examiner wants to see the specific question being dealt with early in the answer.
- Spend about 9 minutes dealing with the question drawing on the material studied and to make sure it is rooted in the area of study e.g. if it is a biblical unit, then the answer should be rooted in scripture.
- Work towards making the link with the other unit of study.
- Spend about 5/6 minutes developing the link with the other unit of study (ensure the link is relevant and developed.)
- Preface the link with the other unit of study so that the examiner knows where it is coming from e.g. In my other unit of study, the Old Testament, we see......
- Use the units of study to inform the discussion, not as an end in themselves.